(e) if so, details thereof; and

(f) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) to (f) Yes, Sir. The Government of India has received proposal to control fee structures in the professional colleges. In this regard, a draft Bill has been prepared and is being circulated to all the State Governments, concerned Ministries and other stakeholders to elicit their views for regulation of admission and fixation of fee in private professional educational Institutions.

Derogatory references in Saraswati Shishu Mandir curriculum

708. KUMARI NIRMALA DESHPANDE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the literature used in the schools under Saraswati Shishu Mandir is being properly studied;

(b) if so, the objectionable passages found therein;

(c) whether it is a fact that derogatory references about Gandhiji are found in that literature;

(d) if so, the steps being taken to remove them; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (e) The CABE Committee on "Regulatory Mechanisms for Textbooks and Parallel Textbooks Taught in Schools Outside the Government System" undertook content analysis of textbooks taught in different states including schools under Saraswati Shishu Mandir.

The Committee has found certain objectionable portions in some of such textbooks. The Committee's recommendations are under examination.